

SITUATION REPORT NO. 2
INCIDENT NO. 95-175
DATE: October 27, 1995 TIME: 2:00 p.m.
FINAL REPORT

TO: Governor Edward T. Schafer
State Capitol
Bismarck, ND 58504

1. NATURE OF DISASTER: A freight train derailed 1 1/2 miles east of Hannaford, Griggs County, on October 25, 1995 shortly after 1:00 p.m.. Some cars were identified as carrying potentially hazardous materials, to include chlorine, ethyl alcohol, hydrogen peroxide, and acids.
2. DEATH AND INJURIES: None at this time.
3. DAMAGE: About 30 to 40 railroad cars were derailed damaging cargo, train cars, and track. There was no release of product, however, two tanks of chlorine were derailed and buried in the debris of damaged freight.
4. RESOURCES COMMITTED:

LOCAL: No change from previous report.

STATE: No change from previous report.

FEDERAL: No change from previous report.
5. VOLUNTEER ACTIONS: (In addition to that previously reported.)
The Hannaford volunteer fire department is manning a command post that has been established at the Hannaford City Hall.
6. MAJOR ACTIONS: (In addition to that previously reported.)
On October 26, 1995, at 1:00 p.m., Burlington Northern Railroad staff and local

officials met and developed a Safety Plan for the actions necessary while the tanks of chlorine were being moved. The Hannaford Public School was closed as a safety precaution.

Burlington Northern Railroad personnel have now moved the filled chlorine tanks to an open field approximately 1/8 of a mile from the railbed. There, the tanks were stabilized and positioned to accommodate off-loading.

Off-loading will be accomplished by truck and the process is expected to be completed in a week to ten days.

7. ASSISTANCE NEEDED: None at this time.
8. OUTSIDE HELP ON SCENE: (In addition to that previously reported.) Burlington Northern Railroad Hazmat teams and clean-up crews are on-scene. The railroad should be ready for use by October 28, 1995.
9. OTHER INFORMATION: (In addition to that previously reported.) Rainfall could hinder the clean up efforts and the recovery of the chlorine from the tanks.

Signed _____
Douglas C. Friez
State Director